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**ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION
FOR WEEK ENDING 03-Jun-06 (THOUSAND HEAD)**

	CURRENT WEEK 06/03/06	PREVIOUS WEEK 06/27/06
Broiler/fryer	148,585	175,047
Light hens	840	1,153
Heavy hens	1,271	1,568

U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN CANADA

	WEEK ENDING 03-Jun-06 (THOUSAND HEAD)		
	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL
Head	156	3	159
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	44	3	47
Same week yr ago	284	0	284
To-date/2006	4,790	19	4,809
To-date/2005	6,379	26	6,405

SOURCE: AGRICULTURE CANADA, POULTRY DEVELOPMENT DIVISION

Total U. S. fowl slaughter in the U. S. and Canada

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL
Head	913	1,466	2,379
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	1,120	1,542	2,662
Same week yr ago	1,734	1,363	3,097
To-date/2006	30,465	32,073	62,538
To-date/2005	40,411	30,003	70,414

**LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION
WEEK ENDING 03-Jun-06 (THOUSAND HEAD)**

	YOUNG CHICKENS	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS
Head	142,908	757	1,463	2,220
Avg Wt	5.41	3.23	8.26	6.54
Head sltr comparisons				
Last week	171,120	1,076	1,539	2,615
Same wk yr ago	148,108	1,450	1,363	2,813
Avg Wt	5.30	3.34	7.23	5.53
To-date/2006	3,536,500	25,675	32,054	57,729
To-date/2005	3,472,011	34,032	29,977	64,009

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 163.1 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 144.6 million head, or 18.5 million less than estimated available.

YOUNG CHICKENS SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION,
CLASSIFIED BY LIVE WEIGHT, WEEK ENDING 27-May-06

	(A) FAST FOOD/FOOD SERVICE 4.20 LBS & DOWN	(B) RETAIL 4.21-5.25 LBS	(C) DEBONING 5.26 LBS & UP
	-----THOUSANDS-----		
Head	23,816	22,856	48,447
Avg Weight	3.68	4.76	6.50
% of total /1	25%	24%	51%
Last week	27,544	21,887	57,016
Avg Weight	3.82	4.76	6.45
% of total /1	26%	21%	54%
Same week, yr ago /2	27,089	34,421	47,229
Avg Weight	3.67	4.76	6.35
% of total /1	25%	32%	43%
To date/2006	567,343	404,016	1,136,863
To date/2005	583,612	456,253	1,032,827

/1 MAY NOT TOTAL TO 100% DUE TO ROUNDING

/2 COMPARABLE WEEK

- (A) This weight class generally denotes chickens marketed in the fast food and food service industries. May also include Cornish hens.
- (B) This weight class generally denotes chickens marketed in the retail industry.
- (C) This weight class generally denotes chickens used in further processing. May also include heavy roasters sold in retail channels.

LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED WEEK ENDING 03-Jun-06
(THOUSAND HEAD)

	YOUNG (B)		YOUNG	OLD	
	HENS	TOMS	BREEDERS	BREEDERS	TOTAL
Head	1,881	2,322	1	0	4,204
Avg Wt	17.22	38.25	14.16	0.00	28.83
Head sltr comparisons					
Last week	2,016	2,688	2	1	4,707
Same wk yr ago	1,624	2,314	26	1	3,965
Avg Wt	16.48	37.81	27.50	61.16	29.01
To-date/2006	41,296	54,433	455	112	96,296
To-date/2005	35,837	55,658	487	63	92,045

SOURCE: USDA/AMS POULTRY PROGRAMS, MARKET NEWS BRANCH.
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